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R 020827Z AUG 73

FM AMEMBASSY KATHMANDU

TO SECSTATE WASHDC 5961

INFO AMEMBASSY KABUL

AMEMBASSY NEW DELHI

AMEMBASSY TEHRAN

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SQMO. 11652: GDS

TAGS: PFOR, NP, AF

SUBJECT: NEPAL RECOGNIZES NEW AFGHAN REGIME

REF: (A) KATHMANDU 3174 (NOTAL, (B) KATHMANDU 3155

1. BEGIN UNCLASSIFIED. RSS (OFFICIAL GON NEWS AGENCY) REPORTS THAT AS OF AUGUST 1 NEPAL HAS RECOGNIZED NEW REPUBLICAN GOVERNMENT OF AFGHANISTAN. COMMUNIQUE SAYS NEPAL EXTENDED ITS RECOGNITION AT REQUEST OF NEW AFGHAN GOVERNMENT AND ADDS THAT GON BELIEVES: "FRIENDLY RELATIONS HAPPILY EXISTING BETWEEN THE TWO COUNTRIES WILL CONTINUE TO BE MAINTAINED."

2. LIMITED OFFICIAL USE. STEP IS NEITHER SURPRISING NOR UNEXPECTED. AS EARLY AS JULY 23 SENIOR FONMIN OFFICIAL TOLD ME NEPAL HAD TO "FACE REALITIES" (REF B). THUS, RECOGNITION WAS BASICALLY A MATTER OF WHEN RATHER THAN WHETHER.

3. BEGIN CONFIDENTIAL. NATURE OF GON CONCERN WAS DESCRIBED IN REF. B. SINCE MY TALK WITH FONMIN KARKI (REF A), I HAVE ALSO HAD EXTENSIVE DISCUSSIONS WITH CHIRAN THAPA, PALACE

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ADVISER TO KING ON FOREIGN AFFAIRS, AND AGAIN WITH FONMIN

JOINT SECRETARY SHARDUL RANA (MEMCONS BEING POUCHED). MY  
ABILITY TO PROVIDE REASONABLY CANDID AND INFORMATIVE BRIEF-  
INGS, BASED ON EXCELLENT RESPONSES BY ADDRESSEES TO OUR  
APPEAL IN REF B, WAS VERY WELL RECEIVED AND APPEARS TO HAVE  
REINFORCED GROWING CONFIDENCE ON PART OF GON LEADERSHIP  
IN US AS SOURCE OF HELPFUL AND DISINTERESTED COUNSEL AND IN-  
FORMATION ON SUCH EXTERNAL MATTERS OF CRITICAL CONCERN WHERE  
GON'S ABILITY OBTAIN ACCURATE ASSESSMENT THROUGH ITS OWN  
CHANNELS IS LIMITED.

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